

FOSTER PARENT NEWS

DCS TRAINING NEWSLETTER



SAVE THE DATE!
2021 FOSTER PARENT CONFERENCE
November 4-6, 2021



"Lunch and Learn" Webinar Series

September is National Suicide Prevention month, and we would like to begin the virtual webinar series discussing risk factors and how we can find help for our youth. (Click [HERE](#) to Register)

When: Thursday, September 2, 2021, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. CST

Guest Speaker: Joanne Perley, TN Dept. of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services

[More Info / Other September Webinar](#)

Save the Date!

The Fall 2021 Foster Parent Conference is scheduled for November 4-6, 2021. This conference will be held virtually and will be FREE to all attendees.

The annual conference is a great way for foster parents to complete all training requirements for the year during a single weekend. This year's conference will offer required courses, special workshops, and book club discussion sessions.

[Click here for more information](#)



STAY MOTIVATED

*"Stay strong through your pain
Grow flowers from it
You have helped me grow
flowers out of mine
so Bloom Beautifully
Dangerously
Loudly
Bloom Softly
However you need
Just Bloom"*

- To the Reader, Rupi Kaur

HELPFUL LINKS

- [Foster Parent Training](#)
- [Training Calendar](#)
- [Online Training](#)
- [Self-Care](#)
- [DCS Talks Podcast](#)
- [Child Welfare Resources](#)
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Click the links below to register

- 9/9 - [Session 2 Identifying and Reporting Human Trafficking in Tennessee](#)
- 9/9 - [Caring for the Child with Sexual Trauma](#)
- 9/11 - [Trauma Informed Parenting Strategies](#)
- 9/13 - [Working with Birth Parents and Visitation](#)
- 9/16 - [Building Strong Brains](#)
- 9/16 - [What to Know About Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking](#)
- 9/18 - [CPR & First Aid Virtual Training \(Part 1\)](#)
- 9/20 - [Creating Normalcy Through Prudent Parenting](#)
- 9/20 - [Medication Administration Refresher](#)
- 9/21 - [Question, Persuade, Refer: Suicide Prevention](#)
- 9/21 - [Engaging and Parenting Teens 2.0](#)

TRAUMA SUPPORT

We in the DCS Foster Parent Training group want to provide specific information each month to parents in regards to trauma. This month, we would like to spotlight "[Child Trauma Toolkit for Educators](#)" developed by [The National Child Trauma Stress Network](#). This special resource is recommended to be shared with your foster child's teacher, school counselor, principal, or other school personnel to provide them with better resources that relate to trauma. This special resource is great for children attending new schools for the first time. Other NCTSN resources for back-to-school can be found below:

- [Trauma-Informed School Strategies During COVID-19](#)
- [Childhood Traumatic Grief: Information for School Personnel](#)
- [Addressing Race and Trauma in the Classroom: A Resource for Educators](#)



You are Invited to a BOOK DISCUSSION

Title: *Time to Come Off the Porch: Journey of Healing from the Wounds of Kinship Care in the Black Family*

Author: Dr. Kimberley Hundley

Date/Time: November 16, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. CST

More Information: [Click Here](#)

Link to Register: [Click Here](#)

SELF DIRECTED LEARNING

Did you know foster parents are eligible to receive training credit for podcasts, books, and movies?

Eligible foster parents can receive up to three credit hours per year by completing titles from the approved media list.

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